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Applicant(s): McCluskie et al.  
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Art Unit: 1633

**DECLARATION OF HEATHER L. DAVIS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131**

I, Heather L. Davis, state and declare the following:

1. I am a co-inventor of the above-identified patent application. I make this Declaration in support of an Amendment filed in connection with the above-identified patent application.
2. The idea that mucosal administration of a CpG oligonucleotide could induce a mucosal immune response to an antigen upon antigen exposure was conceived and reduced to practice in my laboratory prior to April 2, 1998, the effective filing date of U.S. Patent 6,218,371, issued April 17, 2001 to Krieg et al.
3. Corroborative support for the statement in ¶2, above, can be provided to the Examiner if this should be necessary.

I, the undersigned, declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this document and any patent which may issue from the above-identified patent application.

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